

### REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on August 26, 2004, and the references cited therewith.

No claims are amended, claims 9-15, 17, and 18 are canceled, and claims 25-31 are added; as a result, claims 1-7 and 19-31 are now pending in this application.

#### Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-7 and 19-24 were allowed. Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 1-7 and 19-24.

#### New Claims

Applicant has added claims 25-31. These claims are machine-readable medium claims that include features of claims 1-7, which The Office Action has indicated are allowable. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 25-31 are allowable for at least the reasons given for allowance of claims 1-7.

#### §103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 9-15 and 17-18 were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gomez et al. (U.S. 2002/0160826) in view of Pease et al. (U.S. 5,759,102). Applicant has cancelled claims 9-15, 17, and 18. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the canceled claims in a continuation application. Furthermore, Applicant does not acquiesce to any assertions regarding these claims.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Assignee: WMS Gaming Inc.

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**CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at 612-371-2169 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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